FEBRUARY DAYS 2025

at the Goetheanum, Dornach (CH) 13.02 - 16.02.2025

> A QUEST FOR A PICTORIAL UNDERSTANDING OF ANTHROPOSOPHY

> > Painting by Laura Summer





"All knowledge, even purely scholarly knowledge, must merge into pure artistry." - Youth and the Etheric Heart (CW217a), R. Steiner

Contributors and hosts of the creative working groups

This event is dedicated to bringing thinking into artistry. We warmly invite you to work with us on the living thoughts of Anthroposophy through different forms of art.

During these four days, we will dive into "The Philosophy of Freedom". Rudolf Steiner expressed that this book was written for people over the age of 28. At the founding of the Section for the Spiritual Striving of Youth in 1924, one of the tasks given, was rewriting a number of the fundamental books of Steiner so that they would speak to young people.

We wish to bring this intention from the past into the present, by guiding a process where through different forms of art we can experience thoughts.

As we will be embarking on a quest together, we encourage you to join the full program. If you are unable to attend all days, please reach out to us. This event will be held in English.

Looking forward to artistically exploring Anthroposophy together in February! With warmth, the organising team Ana Dufner / Aster De Maeyer / Irene Fernandez / Jacinta Gorchs Ludger Scharlipp / Gabriele Nys



Introduction to the Philosophy of Freedom

Andreas Schmitt is a physician at the Centre for Integrative Oncology, Filderklinik (Germany). He is a scientific assistant at the University Hospital Tübingen. He developed an annual training on the Philosophy of Freedom.

Painting with Laura Summer

Laura Summer is a painter from the United States. She has worked with Anthroposophy for many years and did a series of works related to the Philosophy of Freedom. She is the co-founder of Free Columbia, an arts and education initiative.





Theatre with Salome Seeberger

Salome Seeberger studied theatre pedagogy. She has taught in the Youth Seminar in Stuttgart. Salome is a core and founding member of the Youth Section in Germany.

Sculpting with Rik ten Cate

Rik is a sculptor from the Netherlands. He has developed sculptures on many of Steiner's works, including a series based on The Calendar of the Soul. He is the country representative of the Anthroposophical Society in the Netherlands and has accompanied the Youth Section in the Netherlands for many years.





Flow of the days

	Thu. 13. Feb.	Fri. 14. Feb.	Sat. 15. Feb.	Sun. 16. Feb.
8.00 - 8.30		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8.45 - 9.00		Open singing	Open singing	Open singing
9.00 - 10.00		Meeting the Philosophy of Freedom	Artistically understanding the Philosophy of Freedom	Open space
		with Andreas Schmitt	with Rik ten Cate	& recap
10.00 -10.30		Exercise	Exercise	
10. 30 - 11.00		Break	Break	Break
		Contributions	Creative	Workshop
11.00 - 12.30		on the creative working groups	working groups	performance
12.30 - 14.00		Lunch	Lunch	
14.00 - 14.30		Singing	Movement	
14.30 - 16.00	Registration			
16.00 - 18.00	Opening	Creative	Creative	Creative working groups:
	space	working groups	working groups	Sculpting with Rik ten Cate Painting with Laura Summer
18.00 - 20.00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Theatre with Salome Seeberger
20.00 - 21.00	The Idea of Freedom A Youth Section Lightplay	Artistic experience with Laura Summer	Weaving the working group experience	Singing - Anna Stronski Movement - Jannis Lux
21.00	Night Café Bonfire	Night Café at the YS House	Night Café Open Stage	

Pre-event sessions in preparation of the conference! Hosted by Ana Dufner

Join us online via Zoom or at the Youth Section House in Dornach for an abstract painting session in preparation for the February Days event! We will dive into the meaning of one paragraph from the ninth chapter of Philosophy of Freedom and explore which colors, images and feelings such phrase evokes. Have your watercolors, colored pencils and pastels ready! Mark your calendars: Thursday, 23rd and 30th of January at 19:30 to 21:00 CET.

You're also very welcome to join the pre-event sessions if you're not able to come to Dornach in February!

For the Zoom link to join online, please reach out to mail@youthsection.org

February Days 2025 A quest for a pictorial understanding of Anthroposophy *Thursday, 13. February - Sunday, 16. February 2025*

Financial contribution, including all meals: **CHF 160** Accommodation: **CHF 10/CHF 20** per night (limited availability, book through registration form - bring your own sleeping bag)

An event organised by the Youth Section at the Goetheanum www.youthsection.org | mail@youthsection.org Registration: <u>https://tickets.goetheanum.ch/5FD/</u>

